

PASTOR CONDEMNS DANCING AND CLUB WOMEN'S GAMES

Rev. W. I. McKenney Deplores "Degrading Recreation."

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Minister's Caustic Sermon Heard by Big Congregation.

The Washington Herald is commended for fight for clean stage—"One Can Rag Himself Into Hell with Grizzly Bear Step," declares divine in his severe attack on dance.

That dancing is the "easiest way to hell," card playing, whether it be a three-card monte game at a country fair or a rubber of bridge in a woman's club, is the most degrading recreation that can be indulged in, and that the average play as it is staged to-day is poisonous to both morals and intellect, were three of the opinions stated in a caustic sermon by Rev. W. I. McKenney from the pulpit of the Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church last night.

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The pastor also declared that he pitied Beulah Binford, "the other woman" in the Beulah case in Richmond. The audience of the church was crowded with eager listeners, for it had been advertised that the pastor would preach upon "The church and amusement."

"I once knew a famous actor," said Rev. McKenney, "who would not permit his own daughter to go in the theater in which he was playing. That was some years ago, and the plays as they are being staged to-day, are, as a rule, even more rotten than they were then."

"Some of the plays of this generation are very nice at the beginning, while some others are filthy all the way through. In a recent production of 'Richieu,' the whole play was one to which a minister of the gospel might have taken his family, until the last fifteen minutes. In those fifteen minutes the whole thing was spoiled, and the entire theater full of people were sent to their homes with their minds reeling with bad thoughts."

"Is it right for the decent men and women to have to wade through a mass of rotten plays to get one that is really good? It is not, and I rejoice to see that at least one theater in Washington (The Washington Herald) is trying to get good, moral, decent, clean shows for the people of this city. I also rejoice to see that the managers of the theaters are really good people and have stated they want to have the right thing in their houses. Much good will be done I hope. We should have censorship all means, and let the censoring be done properly."

Recreation is needed.

"I believe that recreation is needed by the average human being. It is an old saying that all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy, and it is true. We must have pleasures, recreations, and diversions, but let them be the right kind. If you must go to the theater pick out the shows that you think will be the best. But I don't believe there is a person in this congregation who can go to theater after theater all the winter and then come to me at the end of the season and say that they have seen a play that was free from improper thoughts."

"In New York recently the theater and moving picture owners refused to allow the pictures of that poor girl, whom I pity, Beulah Binford, to be shown. They admitted the shows were often more rotten than the pictures of the events cited in the trial could have been. Therefore, they saw no need of having the films inspected."

"As to dancing, I wish to say that when a boy is a violinist, and frequently played at dances. Can you imagine any man asking his sister, his mother, or his wife to languish about the floor of a room in the arms of some strange man? That is exactly what dancing is. There is a certain priest whom I know said that by the 'grizzly bear' one could rag himself or herself into hell."

"It is surely the quickest way to get there. Of course, there are many people who dance without the slightest thought of anything improper entering their heads. But, on the other hand, if any one wants to go to hell, the best way is to do it dancing."

Points on Gambling.

"A man belongs to a club and plays cards there every night for money. A gambler works a three-card monte game at a country fair for cash. Both go home to their wives with more money or less, it makes no difference, and the wives are cross because they stayed out so late. But the same wives will go out the next afternoon and play bridge or five hundred for a bed quilt or a piece of chinaware or a pair of silk stockings. And the conclusion is that the form of card playing is as bad as the other. The whole business of card playing is degrading to the moral and intellectual qualities of both men and women. It should be stopped."

STOLYPIN IS BETTER.

Surgeons Will Not Probe for Bullet Just Yet.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 17.—Although the condition of Premier Stolypin was much improved to-day, the attending physicians decided to postpone the extraction of the bullet for several days. One of the surgeons said to-day that it will be a month before the premier recovers.

Moore's 17th annual housewarming sale.

Views of Rev. Mr. McKenney.

"Is it right for men and women seeking clean recreation to wade through a mass of rotten plays?"

"I pity Beulah Binford, poor girl."

"Would you let your wife, mother, or daughter languish in the arms of a strange man?"

"Dancing is the quickest way to hell."

"The effect is the same whether you play poker for money or bridge for silk stockings."

"We need censorship for all shows."

FOUR ARE KILLED.

Train Hits Buggy at Crossing Near Milwaukee.

Milwaukee, Sept. 17.—Four people were instantly killed and two injured when the buggy in which they were riding was struck by an east-bound Soo train, at Richfield, near this city, this evening. The dead:

Mrs. Frank Klein, aged thirty-six. Jerry Klein, aged seven. Grace Klein, aged eleven months. Woman servant, name unknown. The injured:

Frank Klein, postmaster at Richfield. Robert, his two-year-old son.

LAWYER AS FIXER OF SUYDAM MIX-UP

Family of "Unconventional" Wife Takes Action.

Fearing that the "declaration of independence" issued in New York by Mrs. Louise E. Suydam, "member of first families" and unconventional wife of millionaire clubman Walter L. Suydam, Jr., would lead to a marital condition of anarchy, a Washington lawyer, representing John Jay White, father of the woman, hurried away to Gotham yesterday afternoon to plead for a reconciliation of the pair.

Despite Mrs. Suydam's announcement that she is forever through with "tyrant man," and that even her "protector," Fred Noble, the plumber's son, will never see her again, the attorney is optimistic. Before leaving, he declared that Mrs. Suydam's recent reconciliation with her young protector is merely a mood. She will soon long for the society of her husband, said the attorney, and only needs a little kind, fatherly advice to bring her back to calm conventionality.

The attorney has begged that his name be not made public until he returns to Washington with Mrs. Suydam's ultimatum. He referred her to her relatives in Washington, who, hearing of her "declaration of independence," decided that she was in reality about to capitulate.

The Washington lawyer met the unconventional wife at her New York apartment last night and began his conference as to the possibilities of a speedy reconciliation. He referred her to the repeated statements of her husband that he would welcome her home, and pointed out that a lonely life, minus even a protector, would pull it endured for an "old maid."

Before leaving Washington yesterday afternoon the lawyer said:

When Mrs. Suydam's father saw the statement which she had signed, "declaration of independence," announcing her intention of leaving Fred Noble, he decided that he was probably contemplating an early return to Washington. He said that she would not return to her husband, but this is not taken seriously. As a matter of fact, it is quite possible that a reconciliation will occur within a week or so.

Two Are Nabbed At Midnight Fire

Physician Drives Auto Through Lines; Negro Held for Boosting His Boarding House.

There was a fire last night in the office of Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood, at 619 F street northwest. The loss was \$200. Despite the fact the blaze was in the office of the only woman who ever sought the Presidency, that fact was soon lost sight of when things began to burn in the crowd attracted by the engines.

Firemen were just getting in their best licks when Dr. H. Watson Moffat drove through the fire lines in his automobile. The doctor was arrested and later released on his own recognizance.

Right after the doctor was escorted from the throng, Andrew Johnson, a negro, was arrested for violating a police regulation regarding the governing of boarding houses. Andrew had taken advantage of the fact that he had a crowd listening and began a speech pointing out the advantages of a boarding house he represented. He was taken away before he had induced any one to quit his present abode.

BEATTIE REMOVED.

Condemned Man Taken to Richmond City Jail.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 17.—Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., the condemned wife murderer, was this evening brought to the Richmond city jail from the Chesterfield County Jail by Jailer Cogbill, of Chesterfield. The removal of Beattie was upon order of Judge Watson, and while the prisoner preferred being sent to the Henric County Jail, he was glad to have the privilege of enjoying the conveniences of the city prison.

Beattie will remain in the Richmond jail until Judge Watson orders his removal to the State penitentiary, which will be a few days before the condemned man goes to the electric chair. Upon request of H. C. Beattie, Jr., Rev. J. J. P. will visit the young wife murderer as his spiritual adviser.

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PREPARED TO MAKE GOOD.



THIRD AIRMAN OFF IN HEARST FLIGHT

Rodgers Makes Sixty-seven Miles in First Effort.

Middletown, N. Y., Sept. 17.—Galbraith P. Rodgers, the third entrant in the transcontinental air race for the prize of \$20,000, offered by W. Randolph Hearst, descended at Middletown, N. Y., to-night at 5:15 o'clock, sixty-seven miles direct across the line from Sheepshead Bay, from which point he departed on his long aerial voyage this afternoon at 4:30.

In reaching this city, Rodgers by taking a circuitous route, covered a total distance of 98 miles, and in the remarkable time of 90 minutes. He flew from Sheepshead Bay to the Erie railroad station at Jersey City, a distance of seventeen miles, for the purpose of striking the Erie tracks. East of Suffern he lost his way and was soaring over Newburgh before he realized his position.

An almost unbroken fringe of humanity along the railroad tracks saw the aviator during the progress of his flight. The Sunday holiday gave thousands an opportunity to see the airman, and they came early, bringing their lunch baskets with them. The streets of the larger towns were jammed with humanity, whistles were blown, and bells were rung in every community.

More than 5,000 persons filled the Middletown pleasure groves when Rodgers came down to-night. A park of 500 automobiles made a circle, and the police fought to keep the excited populace back.

Colfax, Cal., Sept. 17.—Fowler did not arrive to-day. The tail for his airplane did not arrive. He is having one constructed, and if one ordered from the Wright Bros. does not arrive he will use the one built here. He intends to start at 6 o'clock to-morrow morning.

MOBS IN VIENNA STIR FOOD RIOTS

Austrian Authorities Fear Grave Consequences.

Vienna, Sept. 17.—The rising tide of sentiment against the increasing cost of food and other necessities reached the breaking point to-night, and scenes of the wildest disorder are now in progress. Hundreds of thousands of the working classes are participating in demonstrations in the streets of the inner city and suburbs, and defying the authorities to stop them.

Several business houses have been attacked and scores injured in the consequent clashes with the police. The situation is extremely grave at a late hour to-night. The authorities are exerting every power to check the uprising, but so far their efforts have met with little success.

It is feared that wholesale destruction of property will occur before the rioting can be quelled by armed force. The mobsters are in a bad mood and it is feared that the calling out of troops will mean much loss of life.

Moore's 17th annual housewarming sale. \$1.00 to Harpers Ferry and Martinsburg. \$1.25 to Berkeley Springs. \$2.00 to Cumberland and Hagerstown. Sunday, Sept. 24, Baltimore and Ohio. R. R. special train leaves Union Station 8:15 a. m.

MOB STORMS JAIL, BENT ON LYNCHING

Life of Negro Assailant of White Woman Sought.

Warrenton, N. C., Sept. 17.—An angry mob of several thousand citizens of Warren and Vance counties surrounded the county jail here to-night threatening to storm the building and lynch George Marshall, a negro. The sheriff and his deputies and other county officials are standing guard with drawn guns, declaring they will shoot the first man who approaches.

Marshall attacked Mrs. J. E. Chaplain at the point of a revolver and shot and killed her father, J. W. Abbott when the latter went to her rescue. Mrs. Chaplain was attacked at her home, at Vicksburg, in the absence of her husband, a young white farmer.

News of the shooting spread quickly and a posse of 100 farmers formed. Marshall was overtaken two miles away, and to escape capture he took refuge in a barn. The posse fired several shots through the barn, but the negro refused to come out. Sheriff Davis joined the posse, and with two other men, attempted to enter the barn, but fell, badly wounded.

The posse left four men on guard and early this morning the leaders seized Marshall's father and four other negroes, and taking them to the barn, induced them to enter on the pretense of assisting the criminal to escape. The posse captured Marshall after he had been disarmed by his father, and brought him to the jail here.

Cat Attacks Boy; Killed by Rock

Lawrence Perry, Aged Seven, Severely Bitten on Leg by Supposedly Mad Feline.

Set upon by a supposedly mad cat, six-year-old Lawrence Perry, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Perry, of 1117 Sixth street southwest, was bitten in the left leg yesterday afternoon, before several pedestrians, who saw the animal attack the child, could give him assistance. The child was treated at the office of a near-by physician.

Several minutes later the cat attracted the attention of a man living in the neighborhood of the Perry home, and he killed it with a rock. The body of the animal will be sent to the Bureau of Animal Industry, where it will be examined to determine whether the animal was suffering from rabies.

FRENCH ARMY READY.

In Better Fighting Trim Than Germans, Says Expert.

Paris, Sept. 17.—A foreign military authority of high standing and a witness of the French army maneuvers declares that the French army is in complete readiness for a mid-winter campaign. This opinion, he says, was sustained by his observations during the maneuvers. He declares that the French army is in better fighting trim than the German army.

WANTS MORE KISSING.

Pastor Thus Would Eliminate the Old Maids.

Toronto, Sept. 17.—"If our young people were to kiss more they would be better for it—better men and better women. There would be fewer bachelors and old maids. Only the old stick-in-the-muds would be left unmarried, and the marriages would be far happier."

The speaker was Rev. T. Connor Kennedy, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, and his audience was 250 members of his unique social church union. "Our young men smoke and chew too much tobacco," he continued, "and our young women use too much chewing gum. They kiss far too little. It is the natural thing for a man and a woman to kiss. Kissing begins the finer feeling in a man, and girls should be taught to expect kissing just as they expect marriage."

AUO KILLS CHILD.

Thomas A. Edison and Family Held in Bavarian Town.

Lauf, Bavaria, Sept. 17.—An automobile occupied by inventor Thomas A. Edison and members of his family ran over and instantly killed a twelve-year-old child near Nuremberg to-day. The entire party is being detained here by the authorities.

A hearing will take place to-morrow, when Mr. Edison and his party, it is believed, will be permitted to proceed.

NIGHT OF FRENZY. AS CONEY CLOSSES

Women's Hats Torn in Disorder on Surf Avenue.

New York, Sept. 17.—After a night of frenzy never before equaled at a celebration of the Coney Island mardi gras during which 40,000 persons battled the length of Surf avenue, 230 prisoners were arraigned in court to-day charged with tearing hats from women's heads and throwing confetti mixed with pepper into women's eyes. Nearly all of the pepper victims were wealthy automobilists watching the throng from cars along the curb. One hundred of the prisoners were sentenced to terms in jail.

All during the night ruffians insulted women, and fighting was almost continuous. The escorts of women were seldom able to protect them from the assaults of the rioters.

At daylight came thousands of persons celebrating the wind-up of the mardi gras still paraded the streets.

Many prisoners were taken that there were not enough cells in the Coney Island police station to hold them, and the police were compelled to take additional prisoners to the Sheepshead Bay police station, two miles away.

TAFT'S RECEPTION IS NONPOLITICAL

President Will Defend His Course in Michigan.

Erie, Pa., Sept. 17.—President Taft left here to-night for a four-days' tour of Michigan on his way to the Coast, his spirits buoyed up by the cordial hospitality afforded by the populace of Erie. While he was pleased with the vigorous welcome accorded by Erie's citizens, the President realized to-night as he started away that he had been hailed here with such acclaim merely because of his high office. The stay at Erie was burst of a community anxious to see the President. Such an occasion had not been afforded the present generation. While the town of 60,000 is Democratic in its politics, it did not fail to make the President feel thoroughly at home.

On his trip out of Erie the President faces a different situation. He will meet on many occasions throngs who will insist on hearing his explanation of his recent vetoes. He is prepared for this, and before the week is ended will lay before his Michigan audiences his eagerly-sought defense.

WILL STRIKE TO-DAY.

Scranton, Pa., Sept. 17.—National President A. R. Lowe, of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, stated to-day that the strike order which goes into effect to-morrow morning will be obeyed by 90 per cent of the section foremen and laborers on the Lackawanna Railroad. He says the strikers will number about 900.

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"But I shouldn't worry," he continued, regaining his optimism. "I haven't been able to use them for nearly three years anyhow."

Within a few seconds the surgeons had severed one of the feet. Thompson remained in a sitting posture, his teeth set and his eyes riveted on the small steel instrument passing over the bone and watched an attendant take his away. "Going to start on the other one, doctor?" he inquired.

"Yes, son," answered the surgeon.

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LIKE A SPARTAN, "STOGY" SMILES AND LOSES FEET

Former Athlete Never Winces Under Amputation.

CHATS WITH SURGEON

His Remarkable Courage Amazes Medical Men.

Suffering for Two Years from the Results of a Fall Which Leaves Him with Broken Back and Paralyzed Legs, John Thompson Declines Anesthetic—Operation Pronounced a Decided Success.

Manifesting the same indomitable courage that marked his career on the football field and in the hottest of basketball contests, John ("Stogy") Thompson, lying on the operating table at Emergency Hospital, laughed and jested with the surgeons while they amputated both of his feet. His remarkable exhibition of grit while under knife and saw amazed the operating surgeons and physicians permitted to be spectators. Only yesterday did "Stogy's" display of extraordinary nerve come to light. The surgical operation was pronounced a complete success, the patient's condition being greatly benefited.

NO ANESTHETIC USED.

Because of his weakened condition Thompson was not placed under an anesthetic. He willingly agreed to undergo the ordeal, and requested that he be allowed to watch the surgeons at work. His wish was acceded to and he unflinchingly viewed the cutting of the flesh, and the sawing of the two ankle bones which left him without feet.

"It was hard for me to realize that I was to be without my feet for the rest of my life," said Thompson last night at the Emergency Hospital. "But I don't feel pain while they were cutting. Of course it made me a little nervous to see them take my feet away, but when I guess the doctors know best. At any rate, I feel much better since the operation."

Suffered for Two Years.

Thompson, who is better known in athletic circles about the city as "Stogy," because of his diminutive stature and the gameness that he used to display against opponents twice his size when a crack player on the Orway basketball team, was taken to the Emergency Hospital more than two years ago, suffering from a broken back. After many risks of being maimed on the athletic field or in the gymnasium it remained for a trivial fall from a scaffold to render the young athlete a cripple for life.

Despite the application of electric massage treatments and other artifices of modern surgery, "Stogy" lost the use of his lower limbs. The fall had paralyzed him from the waist down. But he still maintained the optimism that characterized him during his athletic career and even since the loss of his feet he declared that some day he would again be able to stand and run and jump as he did before the disastrous fall. Even now he believes that the operation performed by the surgeons will restore the use of his footless limbs.

Ready for the Ordeal.

When told that it would be necessary to amputate his feet that the condition of the legs above the ankles might be bettered, Thompson readily assented to the wishes of the surgeons. It would be hazardous, he was told, to place him under the influence of an anesthetic. He was asked whether he thought he could withstand the cutting and sawing ordeal and stoically replied that he could and would.

Conveyed to the operating room, Thompson viewed the serious looking group of surgeons with a smile and asked them if they were ready. Several of the most prominent members of the local medical fraternity had been informed that the operation was to be performed without an anesthetic, and were present to see how the patient would behave.

"Would you like something to put you to sleep, or do you want a screen placed over you so that you can't see what the doctors are doing?" Thompson was asked.

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